MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

SUB- COMMITTEE ON TAXATION - SB 462

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN BOB DEPRATU, on March 24, 2003 at 11:12 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Bob DePratu, Chairman (R)
Sen. John C. Bohlinger (R)
Sen. Jim Elliott (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Shirley Herrin, Committee Secretary

Video-taped Committee: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Discussion On: SB 462

CHAIRMAN DEPRATU explained that Bud Clinch, Director of the Department of Natural Resources, sent a letter indicating that on state land, and throughout the state, we have a very serious used tire disposal problem (one piece of state property at Columbus has several hundred thousand tires on it). He would like the committee to include equipment within SB 462 ,that would be purchased by private capital, that would directly address the recycling of used tires.

SEN. JIM ELLIOTT moved to include equipment expressly designed for the recycling of used tires be included in the depreciation schedule.

CHAIRMAN DEPRATU stated they need to expressly describe equipment, or the type of work the equipment would be used on, to meet the new logging practices that the Federal Government is going to asking the Forest Service to do. They could add that the Dept. of Revenue, by rule-making, could identify that equipment.

SEN. ELLIOTT offered verbiage on page 1, line 18, insert the words "specifically designed to perform recovery and utilization activities", etc. He moved another amendment on line 20, after "or" to insert "wood waste".

The committee discussed further changes they wished to make. They agreed to take line 27 out and insert the verbiage regarding the used tire recycling.

Lee Heiman will draft the amendment according to the committee's suggestions, and will amend the title to agree with the body of the bill.

SEN. ELLIOTT moved the amendments that had been discussed.

CHAIRMAN DEPRATU said they will be compiled and put in proper form by Lee Heiman, and then be presented to the full committee. Vote: The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

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